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***BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS***

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In Compliance With OSHA Regulations

Purpose:

The purpose of this plan is to eliminate or minimize exposure to bloodborne pathogens. This plan contains the following information:

Objective:

To describe procedures to be followed that will prevent injuries to UM-Presque Isle personnel due to the possible exposure of blood or blood products that happen in the workplace.

- Exposure determination
- Schedule and methods of implementation for:
  1. Method of compliance; Universal precautions
  2. Hepatitis B Vaccination and Post Exposure follow-up
  3. Communication of Hazards to Employees
  4. Record keeping
- Procedure for the evaluation of circumstances surrounding exposure incidents.

## Exposure Control Plan

The following are employees who are identified by classifications for UMPI faculty, staff, and administration where occupational exposure to blood occurs without regard to personnel protective clothing or equipment:

- Childcare
- Nursing faculty
- Nursing/health services
- Security
- Consulting Professionals such as contracted doctors
- Laboratory instructors
- Athletic trainers, coaches, and assistant coaches
- Hazardous waste services
- Health nurse
- Recycling personnel
- Custodial and Trades workers

*Task associated with the above classifications*

Task defined: Any activity which involves the handling of, or possibility of handling blood or other potentially infectious material as described below in this section.

Where skin or barrier areas of the human body have been broken through, by such events as needle sticks, punctures, human bites, cuts/abrasions, and handling of bodily fluids.

*Classifications include: Nursing/ health services, contracted physicians, law enforcement, athletic trainers, coaches, lifeline personnel, employee health nurse, custodians, and trades which includes: plumbers and child care workers.*

When handling pathological microorganisms that are present in human blood.

*Classifications include: Blood research lab*

Handling and/or removal of potential infectious waste for transportation including sharps containers, etc.

*Classifications include: Hazardous waste services, nursing faculty, nursing/student health, and facilities personnel*

Performing CPR and blood/fluid related first aid techniques.

*Classifications include: Lifeline personnel, security, athletic trainers, coaches and health services*

## **Exposure Incident Procedures (POST)**

The following procedure is to be followed when an employee is exposed to an infectious material:

- Report the exposure incident to your supervisor immediately. Fill out any work injury report as required by the Director of Personnel.
- The supervisor is to contact the Director of Personnel with incident details for tracking as required by law.

NOTE: Immediate reporting is essential in order to facilitate the process.